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In re Application of: Syken et al.	Examiner: Li, Qian J.
Application No: 09/908,992	Group Art Unit: 1632
Filed: July 19, 2001	
For: <i>Methods and Reagents to Regulate Apoptosis</i>	Attorney Ref. No: HMV-054.01

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated January 15, 2003 in the above-referenced application. A petition for a two months extension of time and appropriate fee are filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the specification of the subject application as described herein.

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